

GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION, PITTSFIELD, MASS.—The quarterly meeting of the Graduate Nurses' Association was held at the Bishop Memorial, September 3, nine members being present. After the business meeting a social hour was enjoyed. Six names have been added to the membership.

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KEENE, N. H.—The members of the Keene-Elliott City Hospital Alumnæ have begun holding regular meetings. They are to be congratulated upon their organization with its twenty-three active charter and four honorary members.

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#### MARRIAGES

AT Wanstead, Canada, on July 30, Miss Margaret Haywood to Mr. George Payne, of Toledo, O. Mrs. Payne is a graduate of the Toledo Hospital Training-School, Class of 1898.

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#### BIRTHS

AT Columbus, O., on August 30, to Mrs. Benjamin L. O. Tate, a son. Mrs. Tate was Miss Ellen M. Baker, a graduate of the St. Louis Training-School for Nurses of the Class of 1902.

TO Mr. and Mrs. L. E. BARNETT, of Raymondville, St. Lawrence County, N. Y., a son. Mrs. Barnett is a graduate nurse of the Memorial Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., and was formerly Miss Clara R. Rickard.

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#### OBITUARY

MISS LOUISE M. BURMESTER died at Denver, Col., August 16, in the twenty-ninth year of her age. The cause of her death was tuberculosis, with which she had suffered for sixteen months. Last November she went to Denver in the hope of being benefited by the change of climate, but she continued to fail until death ended her suffering.

Miss Burmester was born in Germany, but had lived in this country for eight years. She came to North Adams a number of years ago and entered the hospital Training-School for nurses, from which she was graduated in 1898. From that time till her health failed she practised her profession in North Adams and was very successful in her work. She was a young woman of the highest character, of genial disposition and sympathetic nature, and was admirably adapted by nature and training for her chosen calling. She was highly esteemed both professionally and personally by the families by whom she had been employed and the physicians whose patients she cared for.

The expenses of the trip to Denver and her care at the institution there were gladly shared by her many friends in North Adams, who were deeply interested in her, and the news of her death brings sorrow to them all. Her only relative in this country is a brother, Henry C. Burmester, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who was with her at the time of her death.

At a special meeting of the nurses' alumnae held Tuesday afternoon, August 26, the following resolutions were adopted:

"Resolved, That we, the members of the Alumnæ Association of the North Adams Training-School for Nurses, mourn our loss and extend our heartfelt

sympathy to the relatives and friends of Miss Louise M. Burnester, a member of this association, who died in Denver, Col., August 16, 1902.

*"Resolved,* That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family, printed in THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING, and recorded upon the minutes of this association.

" ELIZABETH A. BOWEN,

" ELIZABETH L. OREM,

" JEAN W. NELSON,

" Committee.

" JULIA A. GERRY, Secretary."

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DIED, at the City Hospital, Indianapolis, Ind., on August 17, 1902, of typhoid fever, Miss Edith Stevens. Miss Stevens was a graduate of the City Hospital Training-School for Nurses, Indianapolis, Ind., Class of 1897; also post-graduate of the Woman's Hospital of New York. At the time of her death she was assistant superintendent of the City Hospital Training-School for Nurses, Indianapolis, Ind. She ranked as one of the most skilful of her school.

The following resolutions were prepared at the last meeting of the Graduate Nurses' Association of Indianapolis, Ind., by a special committee:

" WHEREAS, It has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst Miss Edith Stevens, an esteemed member of our association; therefore,

*"Resolved,* That in her death our association has lost a highly esteemed and much-loved member, and the nursing profession a faithful worker.

*"Resolved,* That a copy of these resolutions be extended with our deepest sympathy to her family, that a second copy be sent to THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING, and that a record be made of the same in the minutes of this meeting.

" MISS ANNA REIN,

" MISS SIBYL M. HOLBROOK,

" MISS SARAH BELK."

